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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

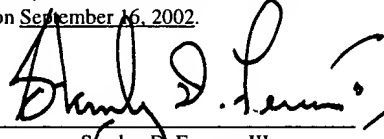
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In re Application of : Cohen et al.
Serial No. : 09/670,250 Examiner : O. Rojas
Filed : Sept. 26, 2000 Art Unit : 2874
For : OPTICAL FIBER SPACE TRANSFORMATION

September 16, 2002

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on September 16, 2002.


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Assistant Commissioner for Patents:
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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) month(s) through and including September 16, 2002 (the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday or Sunday) to respond to the Office Action mailed on March 15, 2002. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

	large entity	small entity
() one month	\$110	\$55
() two months	\$400	\$200
(X) three months	\$920	\$460
() four months	\$1,440	\$720
() five months	\$1,960	\$980

Please charge **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the extension of time fee for three (3) months. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,



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